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necessary to meet an urgent requirement, this may be limited to a total of two publications in the CBD in a 30 calendar-day period, with a minimum of 15 calendar days between each.

(f) *Section 8(a) competitive acquisition.* When a national buy requirement is being considered for competitive acquisition limited to eligible 8(a) concerns under Subpart 19.8, the contracting officer shall transmit a synopsis of the proposed contract action to the CBD in accordance with 5.207. The synopsis may be transmitted to the CBD concurrent with submission of the agency offering (see 19.804-2) to the Small Business Administration (SBA). The synopsis should also include information—

(1) Advising that the acquisition is being offered for competition limited to eligible 8(a) concerns;

(2) Specifying the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) code;

(3) Advising that eligibility to participate may be restricted to firms in either the developmental or transitional stage; and

(4) Encouraging interested 8(a) firms to request a copy of the solicitation as expeditiously as possible since the solicitation will be issued without further notice upon SBA acceptance of the requirement for the section 8(a) Program.

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## 5.206 Publicizing subcontract opportunities.

Prime contractors may use the CBD to publicize subcontracting opportunities stemming from receipt of a Government contract. The CBD can be used to seek competition for subcontracts, to increase participation by small, small disadvantaged, and women-owned business firms, and to meet established subcontracting plan goals. Synopses of subcontract oppor-

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tunities should be prepared and submitted in accordance with 5.207.

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## 5.207 Preparation and transmittal of synopses.

(a) *Transmittal.* Contracting officers shall transmit synopses of actions identified under 5.101 to the Commerce Business Daily by the most expeditious and reliable means available.

(1) *Electronic transmission.* All synopses transmitted by electronic means shall be in ASCII Code. Contact your agency's communications center for the appropriate transmission instructions or services.

(2) *Hard copy transmission.* When electronic transmission is not feasible, synopses should be sent to the CBD via mail or other physical delivery of hard copy and should be addressed to: Commerce Business Daily, U.S. Government Printing Office, P.O. Box 77880, Washington, DC 20013-8880.

(b) *Format.* The contracting officer shall prepare the synopsis in the following style and format to ensure timely processing of the synopsis by the Commerce Business Daily.

(1) *General.* Format for all synopses shall employ conventional typing with abbreviations, capitalization, and punctuation all grammatically correct. Each synopsis shall include all 17 format items. Do not include the title for the format item.

(2) *Spacing.* Begin each line flush left and use double spaced lines between each format line. If more than one synopsis is sent at one time, separate each synopsis with four line spaces and begin each new synopsis with format item number 1.

(3) *Abbreviations.* Minimize abbreviations or acronyms to commonly recognized abbreviations.

(4) *Standard format.* Prepare each synopsis in the following format. Begin each format item with the number of the item followed by a period (e.g., 1.). Then make two spaces after the period. Next type the appropriate information for each format item. Then conclude each format item with two exclamation points (i.e., !!). Conclude each complete synopsis, following format item 17, with five asterisks (i.e., \* \* \* \* \*).

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### *Format Item and Explanation/Description of Entry*

1. ACTION CODE

(A single alphabetic character denoting the specific action related in the synopsis. Choices are limited to the following: P=Presolicitation Notice/Procurement; A=Award announcement; M=Modification of a previously announced procurement action (a correction to a previous CBD announcement); R=Sources Sought (includes A-76 services and architect-engineer contracts). If none of the standard codes apply, enter "N/A".)

2. DATE

(Date on which the synopsis is transmitted to the CBD for publication. Use a four digit number indicating month in two digits and date in two digits (MMDD). All four spaces must be used with preceding 0 for months January thru September. Format: 0225 for February 25.)

3. YEAR

(Two numeric digits denoting the calendar year of the synopsis. Format 85 for 1985.)

4. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE (GPO) BILLING ACCOUNT CODE.

(The originating office's account number used by the GPO for billing and collection purposes. The field length is nine alpha-numeric characters. The first three characters entered are "GPO" and then the following six characters are the numeric account number. Agencies should contact the GPO's Office of Comptroller for additional information. Enter N/A if an account number has not been assigned.)

5. CONTRACTING OFFICE ZIP CODE

(The geographic zip code for the contracting office. Up to nine characters may be entered. When using a nine digit zip code, separate the first five digits and last four digits with a dash. Format: 00000-0000.)

6. CLASSIFICATION CODE. (Service or supply code number; see 5.207(g). Each synopsis shall classify the contemplated contract action under the one classification code which most closely describes the acquisition. If the action is for a multiplicity of goods and/or services, the preparer should select the one category best describing the overall acquisition based upon value. Inclusion of more than one classification code, or failure to include a classification code, will result in rejection of the synopsis by the Commerce Business Daily).

7. CONTRACTING OFFICE ADDRESS

(The complete name and address of the contracting office. Field length is open, but generally not expected to exceed 90 alpha-numeric characters.)

8. SUBJECT

(Insert classification code for ITEM 6, and a brief title description of services, sup-

plies, or project required by the agency. This will appear in the CBD as the bold faced title in the first line of the description.) (200 character spaces available.)

9. PROPOSED SOLICITATION NUMBER

(Agency number for control, tracking, identification. For solicitations; if not a solicitation, enter N/A.)

10. OPENING/CLOSING RESPONSE DATE

(For solicitations; if not a solicitation, enter N/A. Issuing agency deadline for receipt of bids, proposals or responses. Use a six digit date. Format: MMDDYY. Explanation may appear in text of synopsis in Item 17.)

11. CONTACT POINT/CONTRACTING OFFICER

(Include name and telephone number of contact. Also include name and telephone number of contracting officer if different. This will appear as the first item of information in the published entry. This entry may be alpha-numeric and up to 320 character blocks in length.)

12. CONTRACT AWARD AND SOLICITATION NUMBER

(For awards; if not an award, enter N/A. The award, solicitation or project reference number assigned by the agency to provide a reference for bidders/sub-contractors. Two hundred character spaces available for alpha-numeric entries.)

13. CONTRACT AWARD DOLLAR AMOUNT

(For awards; if not an award, enter N/A. A ten digit numeric field. Enter whole dollars only. Output will be preceded by a dollar sign (\$).)

14. CONTRACT LINE ITEM NUMBER

(For awards—as desired; if not an award, enter N/A. The alpha-numeric field with dashes and slashes may not exceed 32 spaces. If sufficient space is not available, enter N/A and insert the contract line item number(s) in format item 17.)

15. CONTRACT AWARD DATE

(For awards; if not an award, enter N/A. A six digit entry showing the date the award is made or the contract let. Format: MMDDYY.)

16. CONTRACTOR

(For awards; if not an award, enter N/A. Name and address of successful offeror. Four hundred character spaces allowed for full identification.)

17. DESCRIPTION

(Enter a clear and concise description of the action. The description may not exceed 12,000 textual characters (approximately 3½ single spaced pages). The suggested sequence of the content and items for inclusion in the description are contained in 5.207(c). Insert N/A when synthesizing awards.)

(5) *Nonapplicable format items.* When a format item is not applicable, type the

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item number, a period, two blank spaces, and "N/A" (e.g., 10. N/A!!).

(6) The following is a sample CBD synopsis:

1. P!!
2. 0925!!
3. 85!!
4. GPO123456!!
5. 19111-5096!!
6. 95!!
7. Defense Industrial Supply Center, 700 Robbins Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19111-5096!!
8. 95—Steel Plate!!
9. DLA500-86-B-0090!!
10. BOD, 111585!!
11. Contact, Mary Drake, 215/697-XXXX/ Contracting Officer, Larry Bird, 215/697-XXXX!!
12. N/A!!
13. N/A!!
14. N/A!!
15. N/A!!
16. N/A!!
17. NSN9515-00-237-5342, Spec Mil-S-226988, 0.1875 inch thick, 96 inch width, 240 inch length. Carbon steel, 45,000 lbs. Delivery to NSY Philadelphia, PA, and NSC Norfolk, VA. Delivery by 1 Oct. 86. When calling, be prepared to state name, address, and solicitation number. See note 9. All responsible sources may submit an offer which will be considered. \* \* \* \* \*

(c) *General format for Item 17, "Description."* (1) Prepare a clear and concise description of the supplies or services that is not unnecessarily restrictive of competition and will allow a prospective offeror to make an informed business judgment as to whether a copy of the solicitation should be requested.

(2) Do not include in Item 17 the CBD supply or service classification code from Item 6.

(i) National Stock Number (NSN) if assigned.

(ii) Specification and whether an offeror, its product, or service must meet a qualification requirement in order to be eligible for award, and identification of the office from which additional information about the qualification requirement may be obtained (see subpart 9.2).

(iii) Manufacturer, including part number, drawing number, etc.

(iv) Size, dimensions, or other form, fit or functional description.

(v) Predominant material of manufacture.

(vi) Quantity, including any options for additional quantities.

(vii) Unit of issue.

(viii) Destination information.

(ix) Delivery schedule.

(x) Duration of the contract period.

(xi) For a proposed contract action in an amount estimated to be greater than \$25,000 but not greater than the simplified acquisition threshold, enter (A) a description of the procedures to be used in awarding the contract (e.g., request for oral or written quotation or solicitation), and (B) the anticipated award date.

(xii) For Architect-Engineer projects and other projects for which the supply or service codes are insufficient, provide brief details with respect to: location, scope of services required, cost range and limitations, type of contract, estimated starting and completion dates, and any significant evaluation factors.

(xiii) Numbered notes (see 5.207(e)), including instructions for set-asides for small businesses.

(xiv) In the case of noncompetitive contract actions (including those that do not exceed the simplified acquisition threshold), identify the intended source (see 5.207(e)(3)) and insert a statement of the reason justifying the lack of competition.

(xv) Insert a statement that all responsible sources may submit a bid, proposal, or quotation which shall be considered by the agency.

(xvi) If the contracting office will accept requests for solicitations through alternate means (e.g., facsimile machine, Telex), provide the machine number and routing instructions.

(xvii) If the solicitation will be made available to interested parties through electronic data interchange, provide any information necessary to obtain and respond to the solicitation electronically.

(xviii) In the case of a very small business set-aside, identify the Designated Region (see subpart 19.9).

(d) *Set-asides.* When the proposed acquisition provides for a total, partial, or very small business set-aside, or a HUBZone small business set-aside, the appropriate CBD Numbered Note will be cited.

(e) *CBD Numbered Notes.* (1) Numbered Notes are footnotes. The purpose of the Numbered Notes is to conserve space

and simplify the identification of repetitive notices. An explanation of the Numbered Notes appears each week in the Monday edition of the CBD. If the Monday edition of the CBD is not printed because of a holiday, an explanation of the Numbered Notes will appear in the next day's issue. When one or more of the Notes applies to a synopsis, contracting officers should reference the note at the end of Item 17 of the synopsis; e.g., "See Note(s). . . ." Requests to add or change Notes will be submitted through channels for approval by the DAR Council and the CAA Council. The Councils will review the Numbered Notes periodically and, as appropriate, after consultation with the initiating agency, advise the Department of Commerce to delete or modify outdated or unused notes from the CBD. Contracting officers shall also include the substance of Numbered Notes whenever a proposed contract is publicized by means other than the CBD (see 5.101).

(2) If the acquisition is subject to the requirements of the Trade Agreements Act of 1979 (see part 25), Numbered Note 12 shall be referenced in the synopsis.

(3) Except for proposed contract actions equal to or less than the simplified acquisition threshold or acquisitions of commercial items, the synopsis shall refer to Numbered Note 22 for noncompetitive proposed contract actions. If it is anticipated that award will be made via a delivery order to an existing basic ordering agreement, the synopsis shall so state.

(4) If, under the proposed acquisition, the Government does not intend to acquire a commercial item using part 12, the synopsis shall refer to Numbered Note 26.

(f) *Information not covered by Numbered Notes.* To alert prospective contractors to information not covered by Numbered Notes, contracting officers should identify the following unusual circumstances in the synopsis:

(1) *Availability of specification, plans, drawing, or other technical data.* It is impracticable to distribute the applicable \_\_\_\_\_ [insert 'specifications,' 'plans,' 'drawings,' or other appropriate words] with the solicitation. These

contract documents may be examined or obtained at \_\_\_\_\_

(2) *Availability of background research report.* This contract for basic research is a continuation of an effort conducted for the past \_\_\_\_\_ [insert period]. A research report containing findings to date is not available to the Government.

(3) *Production requirements.* The production of the supplies listed requires a substantial initial investment or an extended period of preparation for manufacture.

(4) *Place of performance unknown.* This contract is subject to the Service Contract Act and the place of performance is unknown. Wage determinations have been requested for (insert localities). The contracting officer will request wage determinations for additional localities if asked to do so in writing by (insert time and date).

(g) *Codes to be Used in Synopses to Identify Services or Supplies.* (1) Contracting officers shall use one of the following classification codes when the contemplated contract action is for services or when the overall acquisition can best be described as services based upon value:

Code	Description
A	Research and development.
B	Special studies and analysis—not R&D.
C	Architect and engineering services.
D	Information technology services, including telecommunications services.
E	Purchase of structures and facilities.
F	Natural resources and conservation services.
G	Social services.
H	Quality control, testing, and inspection services.
J	Maintenance, repair, and rebuilding of equipment.
K	Modification of equipment.
L	Technical representative services.
M	Operation of Government-owned facilities.
N	Installation of equipment.
P	Salvage services.
Q	Medical services.
R	Professional, administrative, and management support services.
S	Utilities and housekeeping services.
T	Photographic, mapping, printing, and publication services.
U	Education and training services.
V	Transportation, travel, and relocation services.
W	Lease or rental of equipment.
X	Lease or rental of facilities.
Y	Construction of structures and facilities.
Z	Maintenance, repair, and alteration of real property.

(2) Contracting officers shall use one of the following classification codes when the contemplated contract action

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is for supplies or when the overall acquisition can best be described as supplies based upon value:

Code	Description
10	Weapons.
11	Nuclear ordnance.
12	Fire control equipment.
13	Ammunition and explosives.
14	Guided missiles.
15	Aircraft and airframe structural components.
16	Aircraft components and accessories.
17	Aircraft launching, landing, and ground handling equipment.
18	Space vehicles.
19	Ships, small craft, pontoons, and floating docks.
20	Ship and marine equipment.
22	Railway equipment.
23	Ground effect vehicles, motor vehicles, trailers, and cycles.
24	Tractors.
25	Vehicular equipment components.
26	Tires and tubes.
28	Engines, turbines, and components.
29	Engine accessories.
30	Mechanical power transmission equipment.
31	Bearings.
32	Woodworking machinery and equipment.
34	Metalworking machinery.
35	Service and trade equipment.
36	Special industry machinery.
37	Agricultural machinery and equipment.
38	Construction, mining, excavating, and highway maintenance equipment.
39	Materials handling equipment.
40	Rope, cable, chain, and fittings.
41	Refrigeration, air-conditioning, and air circulating equipment.
42	Fire fighting, rescue, and safety equipment.
43	Pumps and compressors.
44	Furnace, steam plant, and drying equipment; and nuclear reactors.
45	Plumbing, heating, and sanitation equipment.
46	Water purification and sewage treatment equipment.
47	Pipe, tubing, hose, and fittings.
48	Valves.
49	Maintenance and repair shop equipment.
51	Hand tools.
52	Measuring tools.
53	Hardware and abrasives.
54	Prefabricated structures and scaffolding.
55	Lumber, millwork, plywood, and veneer.
56	Construction and building materials.
58	Communication, detection, and coherent radiation equipment.
59	Electrical and electronic equipment components.
60	Fiber optics materials, components, assemblies, and accessories.
61	Electric wire, and power and distribution equipment.
62	Lighting fixtures and lamps.
63	Alarm, signal, and security detection systems.
65	Medical, dental, and veterinary equipment and supplies.
66	Instruments and laboratory equipment.
67	Photographic equipment.
68	Chemicals and chemical products.
69	Training aids and devices.
70	General-purpose information technology equipment.
71	Furniture.
72	Household and commercial furnishings and appliances.

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73	Food preparation and serving equipment.
74	Office machines, text processing systems, and visible record equipment.
75	Office supplies and devices.
76	Books, maps, and other publications.
77	Musical instruments, phonographs, and home-type radios.
78	Recreational and athletic equipment.
79	Cleaning equipment and supplies.
80	Brushes, paints, sealers, and adhesives.
81	Containers, packaging, and packing supplies.
83	Textiles, leather, furs, apparel and shoe findings, tents, and flags.
84	Clothing, individual equipment, and insignia.
85	Toiletries.
87	Agricultural supplies.
88	Live animals.
89	Subsistence.
91	Fuels, lubricants, oils, and waxes.
93	Nonmetallic fabricated materials.
94	Nonmetallic crude materials.
95	Metal bars, sheets, and shapes.
96	Ores, minerals, and their primary products.
99	Miscellaneous.

(3) Only one classification code shall be reported. If more than one code is applicable, the contracting officer shall use the code which describes the predominant product or service being procured. The FPDS Product and Service Codes Manual, October 1988, may be used to identify a specific product or service within each code.

(h) *Cancellation of synopsis.* Contracting officers should not publish notices of solicitation cancellations (or indefinite suspensions) of proposed contract actions in the CBD. Cancellations of solicitations shall be made in accordance with 14.209 and 14.404-1.

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EDITORIAL NOTE: For FEDERAL REGISTER citations affecting section 5.207, see the List of Sections Affected in the Finding Aids section of this volume.

## Subpart 5.3—Synopsis of Contract Awards

### 5.301 General.

(a) Except for contract actions described in paragraph (b) of this section, contracting officers shall synopsise in the Commerce Business Daily (CBD) awards exceeding \$25,000 that (1) are subject to the Trade Agreements Act (see 25.402 and 25.403), or (2) are likely to result in the award of any subcontracts. However, the dollar threshold is not a prohibition against publicizing an award of a smaller amount